

In addition to the long years of public service, Gerald's commitment to the residents of Brooklyn has been unyielding. Socially conscious and philanthropic, Mr. Esposito is a loyal supporter and member of various fraternal organizations and alumni associations. President of the Seneca Club, Scout Master of Troop 604, and appointed Chairman of the Boy Scouts of America in the Lenape Bay District are just a few of the many roles our residents rely on this advocate's generosity to fill. It is truly uplifting to know that Williamsburg/Greenpoint has invested their trust in a public servant, wholeheartedly dedicated to the betterment of our community.

Therefore, Madam Speaker, I rise with my colleagues in the House of Representatives to honor the 30 years of public service and contributions of Gerald A. Esposito in Williamsburg and Greenpoint in Brooklyn, New York.

TRIBUTE TO MALDEN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ON THE OCCASION OF THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SCHOOL

HON. EDWARD J. MARKEY

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 16, 2007

Mr. MARKEY. Madam Speaker, I am proud to say that on April 29, 2007, my alma mater Malden Catholic High School will celebrate 75 years of Xaverian Brothers education in my hometown of Malden, Massachusetts.

Since 1932, Malden Catholic has graduated over 8,000 alumni. Currently, 700 young men from over 45 Massachusetts cities and towns are educated at Malden Catholic.

Malden Catholic has created a community of faith that promotes the dignity of all. The high school is dedicated to the spiritual, intellectual, creative, social, and physical development of its students.

In 2006, Malden Catholic was named "One of America's Top 50 Catholic High Schools" by the Catholic High School Honor Roll.

Malden Catholic was honored in 1999 when it was named "One of America's Outstanding High Schools" by US News & World Report.

The Malden Catholic Community embraces the challenge put forward in its mission, "Plus Ultra," which means "More Beyond." The Community as a whole works diligently to ensure that a Malden Catholic education continues to be available to a variety of deserving young men from a variety of social and economic backgrounds.

Madam Speaker, I offer my heartfelt congratulations to Malden Catholic High School as the school celebrates 75 years of excellence. I thank the faculty, alumni, students, and parents who make Malden Catholic one of the greatest high schools in America.

TRIBUTE TO ARNIE C. GLASSBERG

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 16, 2007

Mr. STARK, Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Arnie C. Glassberg, Superintendent of the San Lorenzo Unified School

District in San Leandro, California. Mr. Glassberg is retiring after having served as an educator and administrator for 37 years. He has been employed by the San Lorenzo Unified School District for the last eight years, serving as Assistant Superintendent of Business Services and currently as Superintendent.

Mr. Glassberg began his career in education as a junior high school teacher and counselor. After leaving the classroom he spent several years in special education as a program specialist, assistant and principal. With several years of school site level experience behind him, Mr. Glassberg accepted a position as Director of Instruction for a unified school district. While in that position he was asked to move from education to business support and assume the position of acting assistant superintendent, business services.

For the next 22 years, Mr. Glassberg worked as a chief business official and deputy superintendent in a variety of school districts where he was responsible for the construction of new schools and the modernization of old schools.

As Assistant Superintendent of Business Services at the San Lorenzo Unified School District, Mr. Glassberg was instrumental in the development of a partnership with Dell Computers. This partnership resulted in an eLearning project that put laptops in the hands of almost 5,000 students.

As Superintendent, Mr. Glassberg was instrumental in the development of Small Learning Communities to better serve high school students. The Small Learning Communities are based on student interest in building strong relationships with teachers during their high school years. The San Lorenzo Unified School District now offers six Small Learning Communities as well as a traditional high school program to enhance students' learning experience.

Mr. Glassberg has many professional and personal achievements of which he can be proud. He has been asked to share his many years of expertise and experience in education related matters at numerous conferences. He is certified in a number of education specialties.

On May 15, 2007, Mr. Glassberg will be honored at a reception. I join his colleagues and admirers in thanking him for his service to our students and teachers. He is an exemplary educator and an administrator who has left his mark and made a positive difference.

RECOGNIZING JOSHUA PATRICK ZANS FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 16, 2007

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Joshua Patrick Zans, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 264, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Joshua has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Joshua has been involved with

scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Joshua Patrick Zans for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

TRIBUTE TO THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND FREE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

HON. CHRISTOPHER P. CARNEY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 16, 2007

Mr. CARNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th anniversary of the Susquehanna County Historical Society and Free Library Association. The Susquehanna County Historical Society and Free Library serve all of Susquehanna County, providing books, services, education, and historical information to all of the residents of Susquehanna County.

The Cope family of Philadelphia and Dimock had expressed interest in the founding of a free public library, and working with the Historical Society, in 1907 merged to better serve the people of Susquehanna County. The Historical Society and Library headquarters were opened in 1907 at the corner of Monument Square and Maple Street in Montrose. The building was expanded in 1957, adding a museum space and a Children's room. In the first year of the Library's operation, circulation was almost 14,000, and last year in 2006, circulation was a quarter of a million.

The Library now serves as a headquarters for the county library system. Three other locations throughout the county also offer books, CD's, videos, computers and internet access, and other services and materials to all of Susquehanna County. The access is not limited to those who are able to visit the library, but all inhabitants of Susquehanna County. Programs such as Books-by-Mail, Books-on-Wheels and Books for the Blind allow books to reach residents throughout the county. Outreach librarians bring collections of books and other items to deposit stations, as well as throughout the county to classrooms, day cares, nursing homes, and preschools.

The Historical Society and Museum, founded by W.C. Cruser, occupies the top floor of the Montrose building. The Museum charges no admission and draws thousands of visitors every year from throughout Susquehanna County. Described as a "jewel of the county," the museum's incredible collections of art, toys, photographs, tools, clothing, weapons, and other artifacts serve as a testament to the history of Susquehanna County.

In closing, madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the Susquehanna County Historical Society and Free Library Association for their 100 years of distinguished service to Susquehanna County and the United States of America.

TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH TOMASI

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 16, 2007

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, on April 9, our community lost a giant of a man dedicated to the greater good and betterment of all. Joseph Tomasi, lifetime labor union leader and resident of Ohio, passed from this life to the next at the age of 86 after a decade long and valiant struggle with kidney disease. He loved his family and community and devoted his noble life to the cause of working men and women.

For nearly all his life, Mr. Tomasi built the labor movement within Ohio and America. In an effort to stand up for what he believed in, Mr. Tomasi lost his first job because of participation in union activities, and later dedicated his life to this cause. He served our Nation during World War II in the United States Army and was awarded the Purple Heart medal. When he returned, Mr. Tomasi continued to exhibit his dedication to his community by working as the director of Region 2B for the United Auto Workers for 17 years. Even after retirement, Mr. Tomasi helped to establish and served on the board for the Northwest Ohio Cooperative Labor Management Center at the University of Toledo. His efforts there saved thousands of jobs in our region through careful attention to negotiated workouts and settlements and gained respect from all involved.

Joe Tomasi showed compassion to all. He gave back to the community every chance he was given. He served on numerous boards and committees throughout the Northwest Ohio area, always striving to help bridge the gap between management and labor.

Mr. Tomasi's calm and collected manner, his keen insight and unbounding enthusiasm will be missed by all. He always fought for the underdog—in his profession, his community, and his politics. His spirit inspired all those who knew him. May God royally bless him for a life lived for others. We extend our deepest sympathies to Mr. Tomasi's daughter, son, grandchildren, brothers and sister and extended family. We know Joe joins his childhood sweetheart, Evelyn, in the heavens beyond.

RECOGNIZING JOSEPH WHALON
FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF
EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 16, 2007

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Joseph Whalon, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 264, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Joseph has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Joseph has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Joseph Whalon for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

SAFETEA-LU TECHNICAL
CORRECTIONS ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. HARRY E. MITCHELL

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 26, 2007

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to thank our Chairman, JAMES OBERSTAR, for his dedication to our Nation's highways, and for his willingness to work with me on an issue of great importance to Arizona as H.R. 1195 continues its way through the legislative process.

H.R. 1195 makes technical corrections to the law that funds our Nation's highways: the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users ("SAFETEA-LU").

Unfortunately, when the law was drafted, Arizona was left out of a key provision. That provision concerns the Federal funding share that is made available for certain highway projects.

Under existing law, the Federal Government is supposed to assume a larger share for Federal highway projects in states with large portions of Federal lands.

Currently, SAFETEA-LU identifies 6 such states with large amounts of public land.

Unfortunately, Arizona . . . which ranks 3rd in the Nation in public lands . . . was left off that list.

I believe this was a mistake, and should be corrected along with all the other mistakes that H.R. 1195 addresses.

At the time SAFETEA-LU was initially drafted, no one from Arizona served on the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and thus, there was no one to bring this omission to the Committee's attention.

I am now proud to serve on that committee.

When we marked up H.R. 1195 earlier this month, I offered an amendment to add Arizona to the list of states with large amounts of public lands which are supposed to receive a higher Federal share.

My amendment was budget-neutral. It would have cost nothing. It would not have reduced any other state's highway funding. Rather, it would have merely given our state . . . a state with more public lands than 47 other states . . . the flexibility it needs to allocate its Federal funding between our various highway projects.

At the Chairman's request, and in exchange for his commitment to work with me on this issue as H.R. 1195 goes to conference committee, I withdrew my amendment. I know the Chairman understands how important this is to Arizona, and I am grateful for his assistance.

I would also like to publicly thank Senator JON KYL, who has been a champion of this issue for years. He has fought hard for this in the Senate, and I know he will do the same again this year. I look forward to working with him as well, for the good of Arizona, when the bill reaches conference committee.

IN HONOR OF THE EQUALITY
RIDERS**HON. JERROLD NADLER**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 16, 2007

Mr. NADLER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an extraordinary group of young adults—The Equality Riders—who have dedicated 2 months of their lives, traveling thousands of miles, visiting 32 colleges and universities around the country and talking to countless students, faculty members and staff in pursuit of social justice.

The spirit of The Equality Ride was born out of the recognition that homophobia is globally pervasive and that no country, state, city, community or school escapes its reach. The Equality Ride offers a unique opportunity for student activists to dedicate their time and energy in the pursuit of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered equality through the practice of nonviolent resistance and educational campaigns.

I embrace the spirit of The Equality Ride and these leaders in the fight for social justice. The participants of the Equality Ride as well as its supporters have changed numerous lives, raised awareness and challenged notions regarding homosexuality through both on and off campus activities.

While conducting their work on the various campuses, riders confront some of their harshest critics and engage in structured dialogue with the academic community through classroom presentations, panel discussions, school-wide forums and film screenings as well as informal interactions. Outside of the college and university campuses, communities have welcomed the riders to share in worship, potlucks, fundraisers and meetings.

I applaud these riders and their supporters who have tirelessly waged a campaign of truth based on the nonviolent practices of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Mahatma Gandhi to end the cycle of fear and misunderstanding that causes this vicious form of prejudice. As the Chairman of the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, it is my great honor to pay tribute to these visionary young people and congratulate them on their courage, determination and dedication.

RECOGNIZING ALEX J. MARTIN
FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF
EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 16, 2007

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Alex J. Martin, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 264, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Alex has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Alex has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.